

Trinity River Restoration Program

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Dear Mr. Barajas:

The Trinity Adaptive Management Working Group (TAMWG) met on May 24-25, 2016 in Weaverville. This letter serves to provide you with a summary of that meeting with our resulting policy and management recommendations, as required by TAMWG's bylaws.

I would like to inform you that we have two new members and one new alternate member. Shiloe Braxton has joined our team, representing the Trinity County Resource Conservation District, as well as Michael Charlton representing commercial river guides. Additionally, Leslie Bryan will be serving as Elizabeth Hadley's alternate for CVP power contractors.

We received an update from Oregon State University research scientist Tyrell Dewebber, on the Decision Support System (DSS) including a recap on the related workshop which was held in March. We received a presentation from Hoopa Valley Tribe fisheries biologist Justin Alvarez on his study of brown trout in the Trinity River and a presentation from TRRP Hydrologic Engineer Robert Stewart on the tributary access study.

Additionally, Tom Stokely gave a PowerPoint presentation on temperature management issues. Based on this presentation, the TAMWG makes the following recommendation:

The TAMWG recommends the TMC adopt the proposed letter of May 23, 2016 from the TMC chair to the Reclamation Regional Director regarding the Trinity River temperature control issues.

We also received a presentation by Hoopa Valley Tribe Riparian Ecologist James Lee on the costs of wildlife and riparian monitoring, including recommendations on program efficiencies and potential cost savings.

We discussed the TRRP FY17 budget and refinements to date, as well as the Watershed FY2016 project proposals. We note that our recommendations from our previous meeting regarding the budget still stand: